

FISH POND

Moxie Gore, Somerset County
U.S.G.S. Black Brook Pond, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Brook trout
Rainbow smelt

Minnows
Lake chub
Redbelly dace
Finescale dace
Fathead minnow

Physical Characteristics

Area - 15 acres

Maximum depth - 34 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Temperatures:

Surface - 62°F
34 feet - 44°F

Fish Pond is located on the east side of the Kennebec River Gorge. The pond has no major inlets, but a steep outlet flows west into the Kennebec River. The pond's shoreline is lightly developed.

Water quality in Fish Pond is good for coldwater gamefish despite low oxygen levels below 20 feet; only a relatively small volume of water lies below this depth. Neither the inlet nor outlet provides adequate brook trout spawning area, so the pond is stocked annually to sustain a fishery. Competition from minnows limits trout growth and survival.

Fish Pond is accessible via a series of gravel roads off the Indian Pond Road. The pond is open to fishing with the use or possession of live fish as bait being prohibited in the summer and closed to winter fishing.

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